BSF went to visit Kamakhya Temple in an organized manner. Reportedly, a scuffle took place between BSF personnel and Pandas (employees of temple)/civilians which resulted into injury to two BSF persons and four civilians.

(b) and (c) The incident is being investigated by civil police and a Staff Court of Inquiry ordered by BSF authorities. The High Court of Guwahati has also taken *suo-moto* cognizance of the incident and the matter is *sub-judice* before a Division Bench headed by Chief Justice of that High Court.

(d) and (e) Does not arise in view of reply to part (b) & (c).

Attack on IIS, Bangalore

353. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: SHRI AMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons killed and injured in the terrorist attack in the campus of India Institute of Science, Bangalore in the last week of December, 2005;

(b) whether the terrorists, have since been indentified and arrested and if, so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that Government of Karnataka had received the message about the terrorist attack in Bangalore much before the occurrence of the incidents and if so, what are the specific reasons for not taking any precautionary measure and the action proposed to be taken against the officer concerned for dereliction of duty?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) In the terrorist shootout in the Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bangalore on 28.12.2005, one Prof. M.C. Puri from Delhi was skilled and four other delegates sustained injuries, when the delegates of the International conference were coming out of the J.N. Tata Auditorium.

(b) The Banglore City Police has registered a case and one Abdul Rehman of Nalgonda, Andhra Pradesh has been arrested on 1.1.2006.

Investigation carried out so far points towards the possibility of Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT), a terrorist organization, bahind this attack.

(c) The Government of Karnataka has informed that they did not have any advance intelligence input about the terrorist attack on the lISc, Bangalore.

Special Security arrangement for National Institutes

354. SHRI S.S. AHLUWAUA. Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state.

(a) the details of the terrorist attack on 28th December, 2005 at the Indian Institute of Science (IIS), Bangalore, that left Prof. M.C. Puri killed and several scholars injured;

(b) whether the Karnataka Administration and Bangalore Police had Intelligence inputs about potential terrorist attack on the landmarks of the city;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether pursuant to that input, any special arrangement for security of the strategic national wealth like Defence Research Centre, IIS, IIM, University/College campuses etc., apart from providing security to IT corporate houses were made;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefore?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) On December 28, 2005, when the delegates of the International Conference were coming out of the J.N. Tata Auditorium, there was a terrorist shootout in the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, in which Prof. M.C. Puri from Delhi was killed and four other delegates sustained injuries. Search of the complex by the Police led to recovery of one AK 56 rifle, 4 grenades and some ammunition.

(b) and (c) There were certain inputs available in May 2005 to suggest that Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) had plans to carry out attack on IT companies in Bangalore and the State Government was sensitized about these inputs.